designee, contract markets shall submit the information required by paragraph (a) of this section as follows:

- (1) Using a format and coding structure approved in writing by the Commission or its designee in both hard copy form and on compatible data processing media;
- (2) When each such form of the data is first available but not later than 3:00 p.m. on the business day following the day to which the information pertains; and
- (3) Except for dial-up data transmissions, at the Regional Office of the Commission having local jurisdiction with respect to such contract market.

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§ 16.01 Trading volume, open contracts, prices, and critical dates.

- (a) Trading volume and open contracts. Each contract market shall publish for each business day the following information separately for futures by commodity and by future, and, for options, by underlying futures contract for options on futures contracts or by underlying physical for options on physicals, and by put, by call, by expiration date and by strike price:
- (1) The total volume of trading, excluding transfer trades or office trades;
- (2) The total quantity of futures for cash transactions which are included in the total volume of trading;
- (3) The total gross open contracts, excluding from futures those contracts against which notices have been stopped:
- (4) For futures, open contracts against which delivery notices have been stopped on the day for which publication is made;
- (5) The option delta, where a delta system is used.

This information shall be made readily available to the news media and the general public in printed form and without charge at the office and trading floor of the contract market no later than the business day following the day for which publication is made.

- (b) Prices. Each contract market shall make readily available to the news media and the general public no later than the business day following the day to which the information pertains, the following information separately for futures, by commodity and by future, and, for options, by underlying futures contract for options on futures contracts or by underlying physical for options on physicals, and by put, by call, by expiration date and by strike price:
- (1) For the trading session and for the opening and closing periods of trading as determined by each contract market:
- (i) The lowest price of a sale or offer, whichever is lower, and the highest price of a sale or bid, whichever is higher, that the contract market reasonably determines accurately reflect market conditions. If vacated or withdrawn, bids and offers shall not be used in making this determination. A bid is vacated if followed by a higher bid or price and an offer is vacated if followed by a lower offer or price.
- (ii) If there are no transactions, bids, or offers during the opening and/or closing periods, the contract market may make available as appropriate: (A) The first price (in lieu of opening price data) or the last price (in lieu of closing price data) occurring during the trading session, clearly indicating that such prices are the first and the last price; or (B) nominal opening or nominal closing prices which the contract market reasonably determines accurately reflect market conditions, clearly indicating that such prices are nominal.
- (2) The settlement price established by each contract market or its clearing organization.
- (3) Additional information. Each contract market shall make readily available to the public, in printed form at the office of the contract market, the following information with respect to transactions in commodity futures and commodity options on that contract market: (1) The method used by the contract market in determining nominal prices and settlement prices; and (2) if discretion is used by the contract market in determining the opening and closing ranges or the settlement prices,

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an explanation that certain discretion may be employed by the contract market and a description of the manner in which that discretion may be employed.

- (c) Critical dates. Each contract market shall report to the Commission for each futures contract the first notice date and the last trading date and for each option contract the expiration date in accordance with paragraph (d) of this section.
- (d) Reports to the Commission. Unless otherwise approved by the Commission or its designee, contract markets shall submit the information specified in paragraphs (a), (b), and (c) of this section as follows:
- (1) Using a format and coding structure approved in writing by the Commission or its designee in both hard-copy form and on compatible data processing media;
- (2) When each such form of the data is first available but not later than 7:00 a.m. on the business day following the day to which the information pertains for the delta factor and settlement price and not later than 3:00 p.m. for the remainder of the information; and
- (3) Except for dial-up data transmission, at the regional office of the Commission having local jurisdiction with respect to such contract market.

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§ 16.06 Errors or omissions.

Contract markets shall file with the Commission on compatible data processing media using a format and coding structure approved by the Commission or its designee, corrections to errors or omissions in data previously filed with the Commission pursuant to §§16.00 and 16.01

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§ 16.07 Delegation of authority to the Director of the Division of Economic Analysis and the Executive Director.

The Commission hereby delegates, until the Commission orders otherwise, the authority set forth in paragraph (a) of this section to the Director of the Division of Economic Analysis and the authority set forth in paragraph (b) of this section to the Executive Director to be exercised by such director or by such other employee or employees of such director as may be designated from time to time by the director. The Director of the Division of Economic Analysis or the Executive Director may submit to the Commission for its consideration any matter which has been delegated in this paragraph. Nothing in this paragraph prohibits the Commission, at its election, from exercising the authority delegated in this paragraph.

- (a) Pursuant to §§16.00(b) and 16.01(d), the authority to determine whether contract markets must submit data in machine-readable form or hard-copy or both, and the time and Commission office at which such data may be submitted where the director determines that a contract market is unable to meet the requirements set forth in the regulations.
- (b) Pursuant to \$16.00(b)(1), 16.01(d)(1), and 16.06, the authority to approve the format and coding structure used by contract markets.

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PART 17—REPORTS BY FUTURES COMMISSION MERCHANTS, MEMBERS OF CONTRACT MARKETS AND FOREIGN BROKERS

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